

Other Information

Home Learning

Your child will continue to bring home a reading book in their purple book bag. Please sign your child's reading diary every time you share a story together at home. Book bags and reading books need to be returned to school every Wednesday and new reading books will be sent home every Friday.

Tapestry

Tapestry is the tool that we use in school to track and evidence your child's learning. Please speak to Mrs Richardson if you have not yet activated your child's Tapestry account at home. We will set home learning challenges through the Tapestry App for your child to complete with you at home. We would be very grateful if you could upload photographs and a brief outline of your child's learning and experiences at home. For example, 'Daisy made a tower of ten bricks and touched each one as she counted'.

Please can you ensure that all items of your child's uniform are clearly labelled with their name and that your child has a spare set of clothes and a water bottle in school at all times.

The Nursery class will have PE lessons in the hall after half term. The school will supply your child with their own PE kit. Your child will need to have a pair of pumps or trainers in school.



Nursery Newsletter



Spring Term 2023

Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very pleased to welcome the Nursery back to school for the Spring Term 2023. This newsletter provides an overview of the learning your child will be completing this term.

During the first half of the Spring Term, the children's learning will be based around the topic of 'Our Super Senses'. After half term, the topic will be 'Down on the Farm'.

If you require any further information about your child's learning, please speak to a member of the Nursery team.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Richardson, Mrs Bould and Miss Husselbee
Nursery Staff

English

Our learning will be based around the texts 'Handa's Surprise' by Eileen Browne, 'Farmer Duck' by Martin Waddell and 'The Little Red Hen'. The children will be encouraged to describe the settings, events and main characters in the stories.



The children will have the opportunity to write for different purposes, including writing labels and lists.

In the second half of the term, the children will write captions to describe their favourite farm animals.

During daily phonics lessons, the children will learn to segment the different sounds which they can hear in a word, for example, c-a-t makes the word cat. We will also begin to introduce the letter sounds.

Mathematics

During the term, the children will be learning to:

- ◆ Recognise, order and write the numbers zero to ten and above.
- ◆ Find one more and one less than a given number up to ten.
- ◆ Add two sets of objects together.
- ◆ Name and describe the properties of 2D shapes and use shapes to create pictures and models.



Personal, Social and Emotional

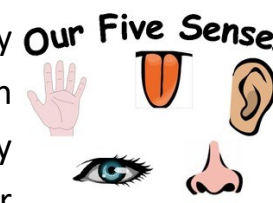
During this half term the children will be:

- ◆ Learning how to follow our school's STARS values.
- ◆ Describing how they can be a good friend.
- ◆ Sharing and taking turns.



Understanding the world

For the first half of the term, the children will be learning about the five senses of sight, smell, touch, hearing and taste. They will be talking about what parts of their body they use for each sense. The children will taste some of the fruits from the story 'Handa's Surprise' and will be using some of them to make their own fruit smoothie.



After half term, as part of our 'Down on the Farm' topic, the children will learn about the animals found on a farm and will match adult animals to their young. The children will recognise the homes which farm animals live in and the types of food that they eat.



Expressive Arts and Design

During the term, the children will:

- ◆ Use masks and props to role play the events of the story 'Handa's Surprise'.
- ◆ Explore printing techniques using fruit and vegetables.
- ◆ Paint and collage pictures of farm animals
- ◆ Use instruments to create animal sounds.

Physical Development

The Nursery children will have daily access to the outdoor area and climbing equipment .

The children will continue to take part in daily Dough Disco lessons which encourage the development of fine motor skills and get the muscles in their fingers warmed up and ready for writing.

The children will have a weekly PE lesson in the school hall after half term.

